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Denise,

Thank you for your call this morning, your email below, and EPA's willingness to respond to folks who express concern regarding this mine!

Have a great holiday season,

Mike

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Good talking to you this morning, Mike.

As we discussed, EPA has received comments from a number of individuals and from the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin expressing concerns about the proposed Aquila Back Forty Mine. We have responded to the commenters by acknowledging receipt of their comments and explaining Michigan's and EPA's roles in the various permitting processes. The comments from the tribe were extensive, including more than 20 pages of concerns. We have not responded to this letter, but have reached out to the tribe to better understand its issues.

We will continue to respond to inquiries received, including those from people and groups in Wisconsin. At a minimum, we will acknowledge receipt of the comments and describe the permitting process.

Please let me know if you need anything else.

Happy holidays!

Denise

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